



# **HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## **MEDIA ALERT**

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### **HFD CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH, HONORS FIREFIGHTERS**

**WHAT:** First Houston Fire Department African-American Trailblazer's Recognition.

**WHEN:** Friday, Feb. 24, 2006 @ 10 a.m.

**WHERE:** Marriott Westchase Houston Hotel  
2900 Briarpark Dr.

**DETAILS:** This breakfast celebration will honor the first black firefighters and the first black officers of the Houston Fire Department. Fire Chief Phil Boriskie and Assistant Fire Chief Rick Flanagan will give brief remarks with Pastor of Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church Dr. D. Z. Cofield the keynote speaker.

This event will include entertainment and presentation of awards to these courageous men and women for overcoming the obstacles and for their accomplishments.

A special exhibit honoring the first HFD black firefighters is on display at the Houston Fire Museum, 2403 Milam.